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From: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: BOATANCHORS digest 3455

BOATANCHORS Digest 3455

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- 11) Re: Early 'Elmer' Books  
by jharper@bsi2000.com
- 12) RE: Early 'Elmer' Books  
by "Ed Sieb" <esieb@sympatico.ca>
- 13) Elmer books  
by third Eric <ejones@hiwaay.net>
- 14) Re: Elmer books  
by W7QH0@aol.com
- 15) Re: Elmer books  
by "ed sharpe" <esharpe@uswest.net>
- 16) Re: SR400 "Lever knob" and NE-2 RIT indicator wanted  
by jackiv@juno.com
- 17) QST's for trade  
by "Kevin Thomas" <kg9il@sbcglobal.net>
- 18) RE: Early 'Elmer' Books

by Jack Harper <jharper@bsi2000.com>

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From: WA5CAB@cs.com  
Message-ID: <6f.35eced96.2b91abe9@cs.com>  
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 2003 01:23:37 EST  
Subject: Re: For Sale: Various Items (TU-75-A)  
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Dave & Group,

Someone saw one of these on eBay sometime last year and there was a brief thread either here or over on MILSURPLUS. TU-75-A covers 60-90 MC (or maybe 53-95 per another source), 50 watts out, contains three 815's and is the only TU in the BC-1158 Radio Modulator Transmitter (drone control) and one of three (middle marker on 75 MC) in BC-400 Marker Beacon Transmitter.

In a message dated 3/1/2003 12:01:22 AM Central Standard Time, boatanchors@theporch.com writes:

> TU-75A Transmitter Tuning Unit - New in Box!.....\$85  
> This is a VHF transmitter. The photos show it as found and removed  
> from the box with the dust removed. I have not been able to find any  
> info on this unit. Based on the 4-45 stamped on the box, I believe it is

73  
Robert Downs  
Houston  
<wa5cab@cs.com>

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Message-ID: <145.be2d98b.2b91accb@cs.com>  
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 2003 01:27:23 EST  
Subject: Wanted: AN/URM-48 (SG-12/URM-48)  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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Groups,

I need an SG-12/URM-48 if anyone has one that they don't need. I'm supposed to have one somewhere but I've already spent the better part of a day scouring the storage buildings and only turned up four AN/URM-106's which are close but no cigar.

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Date: Sat, 01 Mar 2003 09:18:12 -0500  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
From: Avery Comarow <acomarow@usnews.com>  
Subject: FS: two Alfred Morgan radio books  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
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Shipping will be book rate and is extra.

73, Avery W3AVE in Potomac, Md.

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Date: Sat, 1 Mar 2003 14:20:37 -0500  
Subject: Photos  
Message-ID: <20030301.142038.356.0.k4pf@juno.com>  
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From: Edward Knobloch <k4pf@juno.com>

Hi, Gang

Here's a link to some nice boatanchor equipment photos from a Japanese collector:

<http://plaza18.mbn.or.jp/~JA1DWM/ceb/goody.htm>

I especially like the doily placed on top of some of the gear - gives it a real old-timey appearance.

73,

Ed      k4pf@juno.com

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Date: Sat, 1 Mar 2003 12:03:14 -0800

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

From: Scott Robinson <spr@earthlink.net>

Subject: Re: FS: two Alfred Morgan radio books

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Regards,

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In a way he \*was\* my first Elmer. He showed me what to do, never got mad, and encouraged me to keep going. A paper version of my first real Elmer--Nate Green, a biochemist at the USDA's Beltsville research facility. He wasn't a ham. Nate repaired radios and TVs in his spare time, for a little extra money and because he liked it. His bench was studded with first-generation Heathkits from VTVM to a scope good all the way to 500 kc

or so.

So naturally the present I requested from my parents for my Bar Mitzvah was a Heathkit VTVM, the V-7A, which by then had taken on a more modern look than Nate's V-whatever. It was my first exposure to a printed circuit board, and in my 13-year-old impatience I didn't read Heath's meticulous instructions very carefully. I thought I was supposed to leave the component leads at full length and very carefully insert them just far enough into the PC board to have the leads barely appear out the other side. Making the resistors and caps stay in place in this delicate position while the tips of their leads were being soldered was no simple job, let me tell you!

Full of expectation and pride, I turned my VTVM on after I'd checked the last step. It didn't work, of course. Crushed, I called Nate, who told me to bring it on by. He opened it up and looked at my handiwork, the resistors and capacitors standing proudly on their wire legs above the board like a colorful little army. He just looked at it, turning it this way and that. I'm sure he was stalling, trying to collect himself to keep from collapsing in hysterical laughter. And God bless him, he was a true Elmer. He never uttered a critical word. Instead, he patiently told me what I should have done, told me what I should do to fix it, and pushed me gently out the door. I did what he said, and my VTVM worked. What a moment! It was the first of something like 60 or 70 Heathkits in my future.

Remember when Heath announced in 1995 it was getting out of the kit business? As I know it did for others who spent countless evenings and weekends building test gear and transmitters and stereos, muffin tins at easy reach to hold hardware and corrugated cardboard on edge to hold electronic parts, it signaled the end of an era for me. It also reminded me of Nate. So I wrote a piece that appeared in Smithsonian magazine a few months later--a tribute to Heathkits, to Nate, and to a time when teenage boys could learn a helluva lot about the practical art of electronics from a company that in its way was an Elmer, too.

Sorry for the slightly OT ramble...

Cheers,  
Avery W3AVE in Potomac, Md.

At 12:03 PM 3/1/03 -0800, you wrote:

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From: "ed sharpe" <esharpe@uswest.net>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: \*\*\*\*\*Re: two Alfred Morgan radio books  
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we will probably have a 3ed book of radio and electronics that will be for trade and a boys book of electricity also that will be surplus.... we have the whole set plus many of his publications in other areas in the museum's reference library here.

I wore the books out at our school when I was a kid!

if anyone ever turns us copies from Palos Verde's unified school district, or dapplegrey junior HS please let me know I would have a personal interest in these,,,

ed sharpe archivist for smecc

----- Original Message -----

From: "Avery Comarow" <acomarow@usnews.com>  
To: "Old Tube Radios" <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Sent: Saturday, March 01, 2003 7:18 AM  
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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
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Subject: Re: FS: two Alfred Morgan radio books

> In a way he \*was\* my first Elmer. He showed me what to do, never got mad,  
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I also credit him with encouraging my skepticism toward claims and touts. I built his crystal radio project and was disappointed in its performance, which was inferior to the ones i was already playing with, and in fact violated a basic principle of crystal radios - you minimize material in the core of the radio coil. I think the last time i looked at his books, i had some other criticisms of the circuits, but i without the book, i can't recall specifically. I did, on the other hand, love the drawings of the projects - those are magnificent. In all the beginner books and kit instructions i have looked at, i have seen some godawful excuses for "How It Works" texts. Some are plainly misleading. This includes Heathkit and KnightKit as well as the smaller here-today, gone-tomorrow kit companies. Seems for even well educated engineers, navigating the territory between system and component level, and framing an explanation suitable for the rank beginner, was just too much of a challenge. Maybe like knowing how to talk to a child - some have the gift, many don't.

Hue Miller

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Date: Sun, 02 Mar 2003 00:01:17 -0700  
From: "Herbert M. Rosenthal" <herbrose@comcast.net>  
Subject: Early 'Elmer' Books  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Message-id: <3E61AC36.D0B66919@comcast.net>  
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My first real radio book was, "The Radio Amateur's Handbook," by A. Frederick Collins. I have it to this day-the 1942 printing, and it still makes great bedtime reading. It was given to me by a neighbor for mowing his lawn a few times -and I had pencilled in my name and the date, 1945, then W2PIV a year later.

How I lusted over those Meissner add-on kits: a 1H5G, a second 1H5G and finally a 1C5G... then there was the Stancor 20P transmitter... 6F6G to an 807 modulated with a 6N7.. these were not within the price range of things I could afford then, just a dream. I think my folks paid \$26/mo rent, so not too many luxuries were for me.

But GE in my hometown of Syracuse had a wonderful scrap pile ... \$1 a pound, no matter what. Meters, surplus WWII equipment (a thousand BC645s), a gazillion partially assembled 630TS TV chassis (were these GE or RCA chassis?) and this

junk was affordable... so we kids all had a good stock of components. And those BC 645s (IFF) made good (?) 2 1/2M rigs... a 6C4 superregen transceiver, not very stable, and you could hear each other's RX before we all put preamps on them. And some of the gang made working TVs from 4-5 of the 630 chassis.

Somewhere around here is Morgan's, "Things a Boy Can Do With Electricity." Lots learned from that one, too, but not radio.

Must be time for bed-I'm babbling away all my childhood secrets... or some of them.

Herb Rosenthal W5AN  
Albuquerque

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Message-ID: <3E625380.DF5AB077@verizon.net>  
Date: Sun, 02 Mar 2003 13:54:56 -0500  
From: Mike Sullivan <vze344qr@verizon.net>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: SR400 "Lever knob" and NE-2 RIT indicator wanted  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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1. Want a SR-XXX "Lever Knob" and NE-2 RIT indicator. Look in your junk box, I may be interested in a junquer!

Mike  
kc2kj

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
From: jharper@bsi2000.com  
Subject: Re: Early 'Elmer' Books  
Date: Sun, 02 Mar 2003 13:44:01 -0800 (PST)  
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On Sat, 01 Mar 2003, "Herbert M. Rosenthal" wrote:

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Neato stuff Herb --

My first Real Radio Book was the 1965 ARRL Handbook --  
and you're right -- it *does* still make for good  
bedtime reading...

I am not known by the girls as "Hot Thing" for nothing  
:)

Regards to the List from a Snowy Rocky Mountains.

Jack, W0YJ (Friend to all things Hammarlund)

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From: "Ed Sieb" <esieb@sympatico.ca>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: RE: Early 'Elmer' Books  
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 2003 17:19:01 -0500  
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jharper@bsi2000.com wrote:  
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The 1965 ARRL Handbook, was also my first real radio book. I was 14 years  
old, and thought I had acquired the Rosetta Stone, and maybe even an  
original signed copy of the Ten Commandments (all rolled into one). In my  
youthful and enchanted naivet  , I thought I have to memorize the entire  
book, to pass the ham ticket! I was terrified of such a daunting task, but  
thrilled just the same!

Ed - VA3ES

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

From: third Eric <ejones@hiwaay.net>  
Subject: Elmer books

de N4TGC Eric

What's with this "early" bit - you're making us sound old! Mine was the ninth edition (1942) of The Radio Handbook. I never did get to build anything in it, but I sure frazzled the pages. I'm not sure where that copy went, but I have another that was owned by a "Leonard Atkins" in 1944. The cover and the outer edges of the pages are badly oxidized, but the info is still good ...

My real "Elmer" book was a 1956 ARRL Handbook that my father borrowed from a co-worker, who didn't get it back for five years! Later, I found a '55 edition, which I prefer, as it has more complete tube listings in the back.

My ARRL collection includes a nice, un-marked paperback copy of the '75 edition, which I would sell for \$5 plus postage, as I also have an extra-ordinarily ratty '76 copy, which is little different - and once the ARRL got on their solid-state kick, I've not had much use for their pubs, including the QST, with it's impossible-to-construct technological marvels, and page after page of list after list ... as well as half the magazine being comprised of ads! Still, I'd join, if they'd stop calling me the hind leg of a hog: I'm a Ham, not a ham! That, and their obsession with the gigahertz bands ... I've surveyed local Hams, and found that no-one has done any more than piddle with anything above 440. I suspect this is true of the rest of the country - nicht wahr? e

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From: W7QH0@aol.com  
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*      This post contains a forbidden message format      *
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*      Mail Lists at theporch.com only accept PLAIN TEXT      *
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From: "ed sharpe" <esharpe@uswest.net>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: Re: Elmer books  
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two other books that were great when In 6th grade got a 40;s era ARRL  
handbook and a 40's era RCA tube manual along with lots of back issues of  
various radio magazines from Arthur T. Lytle, he was my 6th grade teachers  
husband Did any of you know him? does anyone have a QSL card from him? I  
lost mine eons ago.....

ed sharpe  
----- Original Message -----  
From: <W7QHO@aol.com>  
To: "Old Tube Radios" <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Sent: Sunday, March 02, 2003 5:59 PM  
Subject: Re: Elmer books

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To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com  
Date: Sun, 2 Mar 2003 21:26:16 -0600  
Subject: Re: SR400 "Lever knob" and NE-2 RIT indicator wanted  
Message-ID: <20030302.212646.2504.3.jackiv@juno.com>  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii  
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From: jackiv@juno.com

HI Mike, I have a stock of nos knobs of that type. Where is it used and  
what is

the NE-2 indicator? a bare NE-2 lamp or an indicator?

jack

On Sun, 02 Mar 2003 13:54:56 -0500 Mike Sullivan <vze344qr@verizon.net>  
writes:

>  
>  
> 1. Want a SR-XXX "Lever Knob" and NE-2 RIT indicator. Look in your  
> junque box, I may be interested in a junquer!  
> Mike  
> kc2kj  
>  
>  
>

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Message-ID: <014b01c2e145\$670b9300\$6501a8c0@i6r6k1>  
From: "Kevin Thomas" <kg9il@sbcglobal.net>  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
Subject: QST's for trade



Date: Sun, 2 Mar 2003 23:26:09 -0600  
MIME-Version: 1.0  
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charset="iso-8859-1"  
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Hi All,

I have a bunch of QST's to pass on. They will not fit in my smaller office in our new house. 1954 thru present. I am currently cataloging them to make sure I have every one. I dont want to go thru the headache of breaking them up and selling them individually or carting them off to a hamfest. Looking to trade for something to complete one or more of the stations here. I prefer a Chicago area deal. Would drive 100 miles or so.

Would consider:

RX to team with the DX-40 undergoing restoration here....Drake 2B...  
HQ-110/S-100.....HQ-170/S-200..

Drake RV-7 or RV-75 to go with my TR-7

Heath accy's to go with my 303/401 pair...SB-610,620,630,650.

Ideas?

Thanks  
Kevin  
KG9IL

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Message-Id: <4.1.20030303083937.0189c638@mail.bsi2000.com>  
Date: Mon, 03 Mar 2003 08:40:59 -0700  
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>  
From: Jack Harper <jharper@bsi2000.com>  
Subject: RE: Early 'Elmer' Books  
Cc: boatanchors@theporch.com  
Mime-Version: 1.0  
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"

At 17:19 3/2/2003 -0500, you wrote:

>jharper@bsi2000.com wrote:

>> My first Real Radio Book was the 1965 ARRL Handbook --

>

>The 1965 ARRL Handbook, was also my first real radio book. I was 14 years  
>old...

Ed -- I was 13 in 1965 with my new Handbook -- I can still vividly remember

the smell of the thing when it was new.

Those were the days, wern't they :)

Regards

Jack, W0YJ (Friend to all things Hammarlund)

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Jack Harper  
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